

REMARKS

Claims 21-22 and 25-38 are pending, Claims 23-24 having been canceled herein. Claims 24-28, 30-33, 36, and 38 were indicated to be allowable in subject matter.

Claims 21-23, 29, and 37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,810,185 to Groesbeck. Claims 34 and 35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Groesbeck in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,111,947 to Patterson.

Response to Rejections

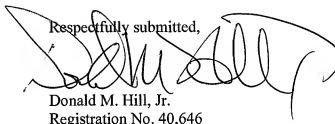
Applicant has amended Claim 21 to include the limitations of Claims 23 and 24, such that Claim 21 now corresponds to previously presented Claim 24, which was indicated to be patentable in subject matter. Accordingly, Claim 21 should be in condition for allowance.

Because all other pending claims depend directly or indirectly from Claim 21, these claims are also in condition for allowance. Additionally, and as noted in the Office Action, there are further reasons for patentability for the dependent claims over and above the reasons applicable to Claim 21 (e.g., Claims 30-33, 36, and 38 were indicated to be allowable).

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Conclusion

Based on the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

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